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Why? Here are three reasons:

- 1) We will push down service delivery costs when possible – with political will.
- 2) We will have a better ability to deliver economic development strategy and implementation – better together.
- 3) We become the second largest city in Ohio with a population of 535,000.

Problem #1

Total Spend

- Key Question: What could we pay for that we cannot afford now if we lowered per capita costs of local government?

Problem #2

Population Loss

- Key Question: How would perception change if Dayton/Montgomery county unified to become the 2nd largest city in Ohio and among the USA's Top 35 markets?
 - A better chance of being considered by site selectors looking at Top 35 markets
 - More clout within the state of Ohio with government/legislature

Problem #3

Loss of Wealth

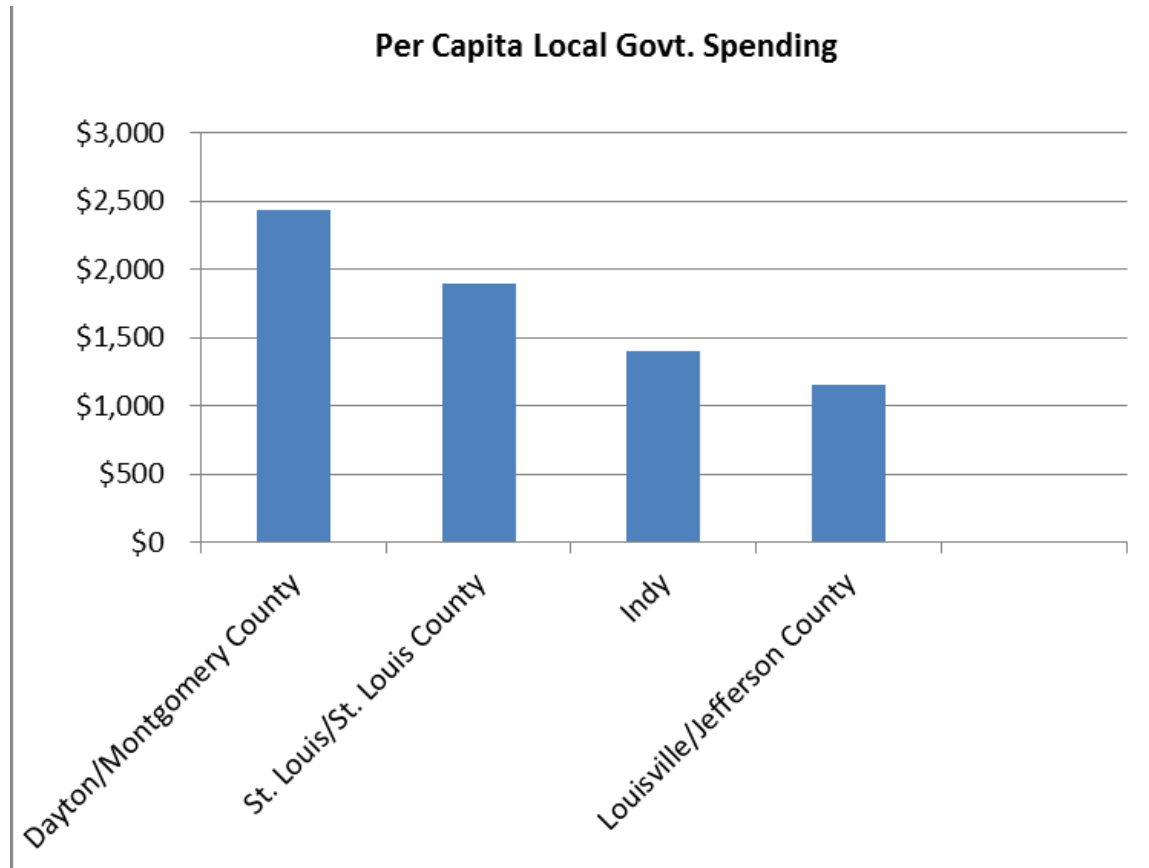
- 2014 US Conference of Mayors report projects that in the next decade Dayton's economic growth will lag behind Cleveland, Mansfield, Lima, Springfield, etc.
 - 2003-2013, steepest slide (27%) in payroll earnings in all metropolitan counties in Ohio and personal wealth ranked Dayton 413 out of 420 cities with a pop. of more than 75,000 in the US.
 - Dec. 2013 Milken Institute's annual index of 200 best-performing cities ranks Dayton at #172.

Solution!

- Ballot initiative to ask voters to consolidate city of Dayton & Montgomery County governments (Louisville model), after engaging citizens on how our economy could emerge stronger & more diverse.

We need the support of the
business community to research
the value proposition:

*The Current Cost of Local Government
and savings that consolidation could
generate and be reinvested in attracting
more jobs.*



OneDayton met with & responded to the Dayton Business Committee's suggestion for more hard data by conducting the first research/accounting study of the total amount of dollars spent by local governments in Montgomery County.

Per Capita spending based on most recently available data.